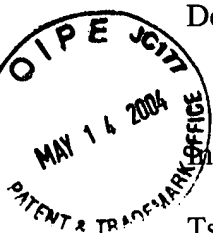


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Docket No.: 50352-019

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Tsuyoshi OKADA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/807,696

Filed: April 17, 2001

For: GAS TURBINE FUEL OIL, METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME AND METHOD  
FOR POWER GENERATION

: Customer Number: 20277  
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: Confirmation Number: 2515  
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: Group Art Unit: 1764  
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: Examiner: Griffin, Walter Dean  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT  
AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On May 10, 2004, my legal assistant discussed the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 14, 2004, with Legal Instruments Examiner, Veronica Augburn. Ms. Augburn was advised that the response submitted on April 5, 2004 was not intended to amend the Abstract, but to point out that an Abstract had been filed with the original application papers. The response included a copy of the Abstract that was filed, along with the date-stamped postcard showing the Abstract was included with the specification, claims and drawings. Ms. Augburn indicated that in view of the circumstances, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment would be vacated.

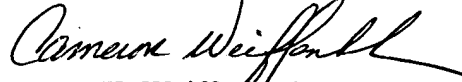
Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment be vacated.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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